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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 15689.50

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of	Hiroshi Kawakami, et al.	)
Serial No.:	09/423,131	) Art Unit
Filed:	November 5, 1999	) 2666
Conf No.:	6371	)
For:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL	)
Examiner:	Shick C. Hom	)
Customer No.:	022913	)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Via Facsimile - RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated October 28, 2005 and the Advisory Action dated April 4, 2006 be extended for one (1) month until April 28, 2006, 2006.

Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$910.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the \$120.00 fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 and the \$790.00 RCE filing fee pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 2006.

Respectfully submitted,



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